

## STORIES OF NAUVOO.

Bits of History Connected With the Old Mormon Capital.

### BUT FEW THINGS NOW REMAIN

To Tell of the Stirring Times Experienced in the War of 1844—Peace and Quiet Now Prevail Where Formerly There was Naught but Strife and Trouble.

Chicago Times.

As the modern river steamer rounds the bend in the majestic Mississippi after leaving the government canal near Montrose, Iowa, on the upward trip, the eye catches the spires and steeples of modern Nauvoo sitting on the hills of the Illinois shore. For fully a half mile the "flats" stretch away to the bluffs base. A steep and winding road leads the traveler to the summit, and then he is within a stone's throw of the barnyard upon the site of which once stood the beautiful temple of Zion. Here there is absolutely nothing to show that the structure once stood save a rock-walled well many feet in depth containing the most deliciously cold water. This well was within a few feet of the celebrated marble baptismal font which was borne upon the backs of twelve huge oxen, carved life-size from a beautiful quality of light-greyish sandstone. This never-failing fountain supplied water for the font. In the baptismal room, located in the basement of the temple, were tiers of seats arranged in circus fashion, upon which the audience was seated during the ceremonies of baptism and "sealing up," as the form of admitting women to the church was designated. The belief has grown with years that to a considerable extent plural marriage was taught and practiced at Nauvoo by Joseph Smith and his apostles. This charge has been strenuously denied, and in fact, the practices were kept with all secrecy possible, for in those early days the lawless spirit was prevalent in Western Illinois to such a degree that a spark would easily burst into a flame. So intense was the hate of the Gentiles that the least infringement of moral or civil law was the signal for mob violence. The murder of the Smiths caused little surprise in the western portion of Illinois. The deed was not accomplished in the heat of a day's anger, but had been contemplated for many months.

At a time when Nauvoo contained fully 30,000 inhabitants, bidding fair to outrival many of the large cities of the west, robbery, murder and other crimes run riot. The Mormons received credit for it all. No sane man now believes the mass of Mormons were guilty of half that was charged to them. For several years a band of export counterfeiter plied their vocation in Nauvoo unknown and unmolested. The result of their work was shipped to confederates in New York city and there "worked off."

Much has been written concerning underground passages leading from the interior of Nauvoo to some lonely point on the river's bank. Joseph Smith did have one such secret avenue of escape. It led from the mansion home to the temple and from the temple to a secluded nook near the river's edge. There was another such underground passage, but Smith nor any of his followers knew of it. The counterfeiter knew every foot of it. No one will ever know much of the race of various kinds these villains committed, and which was always charged to the Mormons.

"The Danites" were not a myth. When a venal and ignorant State legislature had granted the Mormons special charters clearly in antagonism to the State and National Constitutions they gave them authority to create "The Nauvoo Legion," a military organization, and the State furnished the company with arms. A number of the best men in this company were chosen as Smith's bodyguard and avengers. They were "The Danites," or "Sons of Dan." This band of men were never seen together. They accomplished their work by stealth and at the dead of night. How many times at the command of Smith they have been ordered to the body of some offender or enemy, to the river's depths as food for fishes the world will never know. In the guise of common citizens of Nauvoo they destroyed the press and type of the Nauvoo Examiner at Joseph Smith's command.

Spies were often sent to Nauvoo by various bitter anti-Mormons in Hancock county in the hope of securing evidence tending to criminate Smith or his cohorts. In every instance these attempts were failures. All classes of people could go and come at Nauvoo without insult or molestation unless their mission was one of that of a spy or open enemy.

In case a spy arrived at Nauvoo his business was almost instantly divined. In a few minutes' time the intruder would be almost surrounded by determined looking men, each one of whom carried a villainous looking knife in one hand and a pine stick in the other. Each man paid little heed to the stranger, but advanced toward him, whittling their pine sticks. Closer and closer they came to the spy, and the strokes of each keen knife blade grew longer and swifter. In no case did the spy misunderstand the warning. He was "whittled out of Nauvoo" quietly, never to return, for his reappearance meant his disappearance forever.

The "Mansion house" occupied by Joseph Smith was a mysterious old rookery, although in the '40's it was regarded as a marvel of architectural beauty and comfort. If standing now, which is doubtful, many alterations have been made in it, for throughout the entire structure were secret closets, trap doors, and passages for the purpose of escape or concealment. When the bodies of the Smiths were brought from Carthage, June 28, 1844, the coffins were hid in two of these secret closets over night, the boxes standing on end. It is said that the night of June 30, 1844, the bodies were spirited away, no one, save the widow and a few intimate friends, ever knew where.

The avenging hand of Gentile foes burned hundreds of quaint Mormon buildings at the conclusion of the Mormon war. On that bleak night in early spring of 1848 the great mass of terrified Mormons crossed the turbulent Mississippi and left their pillaged and desolate Zion forever.

A year or two later a band of Icarian French communists settled in Nauvoo and built a church from the temple's ruins. But war and opposition had almost swept Nauvoo from the face of the earth. The few remaining people were heart-sick and poverty-stricken. The new sect received no encouragement, but rather met with opposition. So they moved away in a short time.

Few, if any, outspoken Mormons now remain in Nauvoo. The German ele-

ment predominates, and their energies are turned toward hoarding up vast quantities of wine in immense cellars.

### MOUNTAIN LAKE PARK.

News Notes from the Popular Resort—Personal Mention.

Special Correspondence of the Intelligencer.

MR. LAKE PARK, July 13.—The farewell service of the Quaker camp meeting was held yesterday morning from 8 to 10 a. m. Everything was in keeping with the occasion. Short addresses were made, which were full of thanksgiving and hopefulness; songs were sung, and finally, came the hand-shaking and shouting. The moment was a very solemn one, and must have impressed all who were present.

Sunday was a big day. Crowds of people from the surrounding country flocked to the large auditorium to listen to the preaching of the gospel. Three sermons, of remarkable power and eloquence, were delivered with great effect. In the morning Dr. David Updegraff, of Mt. Pleasant, Ohio, preached; in the afternoon Dr. S. A. Keen, of Walnut Hill, Cincinnati, and in the evening Rev. Kelson Carter, of New York.

One of the most interesting features of the past week was the service led by Mrs. Amanda Smith, the famous African evangelist. After the singing of the familiar hymn beginning "Father I stretch my hands to Thee," etc., the lady announced for her text the xiv chap. of John. The sermon, as might be expected, was on Faith. It lasted for upwards of an hour, during which time Mrs. Smith frequently caused the large audience present to be almost convulsed with laughter. The oddities of her manner and the acuteness of her thought are astonishing. The occasion was especially devoted to colored folks.

Probably the strongest sermon delivered during the week was the one delivered by Dr. W. H. Boole, of New York. His theme was the "Atonement and its Results," and it is nothing beyond the truth to say that it was a marvel of logic and eloquence.

A two days' convention of the lady evangelists who are visiting the park began this morning. Miss Willing, of New York, has charge, and will give personal direction to each service.

The Mountain Lake Park board of directors met to-day, and to-morrow will be held the stockholders' annual meeting. Considerable business of importance will be transacted this morning.

Wednesday will be held the first meeting of the "W. C. T. U. Inter-State Conference and School of Methods." The session will last five days, closing Sunday evening. Many prominent temperance ladies from different parts of the country will be present and take an active interest. The officers are: President, Mrs. Caroline B. Buell, Evanston, Ill.; Secretary, Mrs. Jennie McClurkin, Jolly, Ohio; Treasurer, J. T. Cecil, Baltimore.

Besides these, there are a number of vice presidents, who have special supervision over the work in the several States represented by them.

Mr. C. W. Connor, one of Wheeling's prominent business men, arrived Friday morning, and has been enjoying a few days' visit to his family. He will remain until after the directors' and stockholders' meeting.

Mr. Bailey, of Wheeling, spent Sunday at the Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Warren, of Wheeling, spent last week at the Mt. Lake Hotel.

Mrs. Harrison Phoebe and family, of Old Pt. Comfort, are being welcomed by their Park friends.

Miss Katherine McLain and brother, Lawrence, of Wheeling, arrived last week. Miss McLain will remain during the season.

Mrs. John K. List and Miss Katie Bray, of Wheeling, are registered at the Mt. Lake Park Hotel.

Miss Lizzie Strong, of Wheeling, will spend the summer at her mountain home.

Henry James, of the Island, is visiting with his family.

### LANGSTON ARRESTED.

Miss Graff Says the Colored Congressman's Son Should Marry Her.

New York, July 13.—The arrest of Ralph E. Langston, son of the colored Virginia congressman and orator, John M. Langston, on complaint of Miss Helen Mary Graff, of Williamsburg, reveals a story of bad faith, a threat to murder, a marriage that failed to come off and an attempt at suicide. Langston was arrested in Washington yesterday. He is a very light colored mulatto, rather good looking and of pleasant manner. He will be brought to this city as soon as requisition papers can be secured, the warrant for his arrest having been issued by Justice Keenan of the Gates avenue Police Court.

Miss Graff is a rather pretty blonde of nineteen, and lives with her parents at No. 353 Stanhope street, Williamsburg. The complaint on which the warrant was issued was made about three weeks ago. In it, Miss Graff says Langston was introduced to her by a friend while she was living on Seventh street, in this city. She did not know he was a negro until he told her some time afterward.

"He promised to marry me," she says. "Then he threatened to kill me, and finally betrayed me. He, however, agreed to marry me, but postponed doing so several times. He finally urged me to run away, which I refused to do. He then set a day for the ceremony. On the day fixed he sent word he had been summoned to Washington. I found out he did not leave New York. Then I tried to kill myself by taking chloroform, but my sister took the bottle from me."

Miss Graff says she wants Langston to right her by fulfilling his promise of marriage. "Whether I will ever live with him or not—well, that's another matter," she added.

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### A NERVOUS COOK.

He Compels a Cowboy to Eat His Words and a Biscuit in Quick Order.

San Francisco Call.

Not so very long ago a large band of cattle were resting up a few miles from Vinita, in the Indian Territory, before being driven across the line to Kansas. The boys belonging to the outfit were a particularly hard lot, and in six weeks no less than five cooks had left the camp in disgust, as no matter what they did or how well the food was prepared, the men were sure to growl. The head man was in a quandary when the fifth man left, as he knew he would have a hard job to find another. To his surprise, however, soon after sunrise next morning, a short, sinewy son of Erin walked into camp, and after lighting his pipe, sat down on a dilapidated gipsack and inquired if a cook was wanted.

It did not take the boss long to make a bargain with the man, who said his name was McMillan. He was soon installed in his position, stowed his grip away, and after a wash in the creek began the operation of getting dinner. The boys seized up the new arrival as the beans were dished out, but said nothing. Next morning, however, the fun began. One man asked Mac where he learned to fry pork; another remarked that he forgot to put the coffee in the pot. But he was deaf to all until Joe Taylor, the biggest man in the camp, said he would be hanged if he could eat such biscuit as those, and if there was no improvement in the grub at noon the cook would hear something drop.

At the first mention of the biscuit the pipe fell from Mac's mouth, and he stood listening until Taylor had finished. Then, walking quietly over to the wagon, he fished out a pair of Colt's revolvers, and, marching up to the growler, shouted, "You ain't got no appetite, but you sit down and eat them biscuits, or I'll put you before you can wink." There was a wicked look in Mac's eyes as he spoke, and Taylor saw the cook meant business. He had a pistol in his belt, but he also knew that before he could draw it he would be a dead man.

"Eat them biscuits," came the order again, while the rest of the crowd sat around with a grin, taking in the fun.

There was no help for it, so Taylor sat down, and before Mac let him go he had eaten every biscuit in the pan, and was stuffed so full he could hardly breathe.

"I thought you would soon find your appetite," said Mac. Then turning to the rest of the boys, he asked: "How's the coffee?" Every one replied that it was fine, and all agreed that the pork was cooked to a turn. Mac stayed with the outfit several months, and when he left the boys swore he was the best cook west of the Mississippi river.

### A Baby Freak.

HOUSTON, TEX., July 12.—Mrs. Kate Williams, a domestic, has given birth to a boy baby which has a full set of teeth. Medical men are puzzled. The new arrival is a perfect child and as lively as a newspaper reporter. Not since the days of Richard III has such a youngster been heard of.

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